

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A wave plate ~~comprising~~ for transmitting a laser beam, the wave plate including two or more retardation films comprising a cycloolefin resin, wherein the ~~retardation films~~ wave plate has

an area where the retardation films are bonded to each other, and

an area where the retardation films are not bonded to each other in the laser beam transmission area ; and

wherein at least a part of the area where the retardation films are not bonded to each other can transmit the laser beam.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The wave plate as claimed in claim 1 ~~or~~ 2, wherein at least a part of the retardation film is fixed to a substrate.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A wave plate comprising at least two retardation films, which are obtained by stretch-orientating cycloolefin resin films and which are laminated on each other,

wherein on at least one surface of said laminated retardation films a glass substrate ~~being~~ is laminated, and

wherein the retardation films, and the retardation film and the glass substrate are lamination-fixed respectively with different adhesives which are selected from the following adhesives (A) and (B):

an adhesive (A) having a glass transition temperature of not higher than 0°C and a Young's modulus at 23°C of not more than 10 MPa, and

an adhesive (B) having a glass transition temperature of not lower than 40°C and a Young's modulus at 23°C of not less than 30 MPa,

with the proviso that a difference in glass transition temperature between the adhesive (A) and the adhesive (B) is 60°C or more and a difference in Young's modulus at 23°C between the adhesive (A) and the adhesive (B) is 40 MPa or more.

Claim 6 (Original): The wave plate as claimed in claim 5, wherein on both surfaces of the laminated retardation films glass substrates are laminated, the retardation films are lamination-fixed to each other with the adhesive (A), and the retardation film and the glass substrate are fixed to each other with the adhesive (B).

Claim 7 (Canceled)

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A process for producing a wave plate, the process comprising

laminating at least two retardation films on each other, where the retardation films are obtained by stretch-orientating cycloolefin resin films; and

laminating a glass substrate on at least one surface of the laminated retardation films, wherein

the retardation films, and the retardation film and the glass substrate are lamination-fixed respectively with different adhesives which are selected from the following adhesives (A) and (B):

an adhesive (A) having a glass transition temperature of not higher than 0°C and a Young's modulus at 23°C of not more than 10 MPa, and

an adhesive (B) having a glass transition temperature of not lower than 40°C and a Young's modulus at 23°C of not less than 30 MPa,

with the proviso that a difference in glass transition temperature between the adhesive (A) and the adhesive (B) is 60°C or more and a difference in Young's modulus at 23°C between the adhesive (A) and the adhesive (B) is 40 MPa or more.